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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Assignee: Rapt, Inc.
Title: Method and Business Process for the Estimation of Erosion Costs in
Assemble-to-Order Manufacturing Operations
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RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION

Dear Sir:

This paper is responsive to the Office Action dated May 24, 2005, having a shortened statutory period expiring on August 24, 2005. Accompanying this response is a petition under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 for a one month extension of time, setting a new time for response to September 26, 2005 (September 24, 2005, being a Saturday). Further examination and reconsideration are respectfully requested in view of amendments and remarks set forth below.

No Amendments to the Specification are presented in this paper.

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 5 of this paper.